

## Public Works FY17 Budget Covers Many Responsibilities

by Diane Oberg

The Greenbelt Department of Public Works is responsible for keeping the city up and running with wide-ranging duties including taking out the trash; saving energy; maintaining the city's buildings, vehicles, streets, parks, playgrounds and fields; running the Greenbelt Connection and maintaining the city cemetery. To carry out these responsibilities, City Manager Michael McLaughlin's proposed Fiscal Year 2017 budget allocates nearly \$3.3 million to the department, the third highest total behind Public Safety and Recreation. This represents a 2.4 percent increase over the Fis-

cal Year 2016 budget.

The Greenbelt City Council discussed the department's budget and related issues for nearly three and a half hours on April 27. In addition to the funding for the department, Public Works also is responsible for several other budget categories including parks (\$1.2 million, a 3.8 percent increase), the Greenbelt Connection (\$118,700, a 0.7 percent increase) and for building maintenance allocated to the relevant departments – for example, the funds necessary to maintain the police station are included in the public safety budget although the work

is carried out by Public Works employees.

Public Works is the only department for which McLaughlin is proposing additional staff (aside from a 0.1 full-time equivalent increase for Greenbelt CARES). His draft budget calls for a full-time volunteer environmental coordinator, to replace the previous grant-funded volunteer coordinator position, and for hiring four people as summer help, up from two last summer.

### The Numbers

Of the \$3.3 million proposed in McLaughlin's budget, 37.4 percent goes for administration, 7.3 percent for equipment maintenance, 27.6 percent for street maintenance, 2.5 percent for street cleaning, 22.2 percent for waste collection, 0.2 percent for the cemetery and 2.7 percent for Roosevelt Center. Of the funds budgeted for street cleaning, 74 percent will be paid by the city's partners (College Park, Berwyn Heights and New Carrollton). Expenditures for refuse collection will be completely covered by user fees.

### Staffing

The department is facing both opportunities and challenges on the staffing front. Several high-level staff have resigned or retired in recent years. The city had not selected a new director following the retirement of Kenny Hall in October 2014. The appointment of Assistant Director Jim Sterling to the position was announced a day or two after the meeting. Some other positions have remained unfilled, as well. Additional staff are expected to retire within the next year or so.

These retirements, in the short term, free up funds as the positions stay vacant for some period of time and when filled, generally

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## Hands-on History Day Event At Greenbelt Museum May 15

by Megan Searing Young

The Greenbelt Museum is opening its doors on May 15 to children of all ages for a day of touching, creating and learning about life in the early days of Greenbelt. On the porch, participants will do laundry with a washboard, as early Greenbelt pioneers did. On the patio next door, will be sculpting of Mother and Child statues in the style of artist Lenore Thomas Straus. Little bakers can roll out imaginary dough in the kitchen, and the master bedroom will house a collection of viewmasters to explore, as well as vintage clothing to try on. In the dining room/living room, a teddy bear picnic and tea party will be the main attraction and all are welcome to join the fun. Finally, visiting children can try their hand at writing a story for the "Greenbelt Cooperator," as the News Review was called in its earliest days. The museum

will have a vintage typewriter on hand for visiting journalists to try. The Greenbelt Museum is located at 10-B Crescent Road, and the hours for the program are from 1 to 3 p.m. All activities are free.

Also on May 15, Greenbelt residents are invited to take a sneak peek at 10-A Crescent (next door to the Museum house) and share their thoughts about which museum functions are the most important to them. The City of Greenbelt has purchased from Greenbelt Homes, Inc. the perpetual right to use the space, and the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum board of directors is beginning the process of transforming the space into a visitor and education center, but needs input from the members of the community.

For more information visit [greenbeltmuseum.org](http://greenbeltmuseum.org).



PHOTO BY MEGAN SEARING YOUNG

Kids hang laundry on a line at the Museum house.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL REINSEL

Amethyst Dwyer gets her groove on at the Green Man Festival. See page 9 for more photos.

## Dog Park, Franklin Park At Planning Meeting

by Kathleen Gallagher

In the second of the two budget worksessions conducted on May 2, the Greenbelt City Council met to review the budget for the Planning and Community Development Department with City Manager Michael McLaughlin and Department Director Celia Craze. Mayor Emmett Jordan opened this session at about 9 p.m. by commenting that a great deal was going on in planning right now, with the Greenbelt Station development, the county's re-write of its Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations, the Lake Dam project, Gateway

signage, economic development and more.

Overall, the combined planning and community development budget would decrease about 9.6 percent from the adopted budget for the current year. That would represent a 22 percent decline in community development and an increase of almost 3 percent in planning. The animal control budget, which is now included with public safety, would go up 1.5 percent.

Craze replied that, as had been the case in prior years, workload and staffing were the department's biggest issues. She enumerated a number of areas in which they are trying to increase efficiencies as one way of partially dealing with that issue, including trying to increase field-based inspections and using cloud-based software for burglar alarm licensing and false alarm monitoring, as well as for parking enforcement.

For example, she said, a ticketing system would be able to pick up the "heavy hitter" traffic offenders with multiple unpaid violations from their license plates. Cloud-based software called PetPoint would allow animal enforcement to link to regional and national databases for lost animals and adoptions. It also connects directly to chip identification information.

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### What Goes On

#### Sunday, May 15

Noon to 4 p.m., Greenbelt Animal Control's "Kitten Shower," American Legion (see city ad for details.)

#### Monday, May 16

8 p.m., Budget Worksession – Final Budget Review, Municipal Building. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and at [greenbeltnet.gov/municipaltv](http://greenbeltnet.gov/municipaltv).

#### Wednesday, May 18

7:30 p.m., Park and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center

#### Thursday, May 19

6 to 8 p.m., Welcome Packet Stuffing Party, Municipal Building  
7 p.m., Forest Preserve Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center

#### Friday, May 20

6:30 to 8:30 a.m., Bike to Work Day – Greenbelt Pit Stop, Aquatic & Fitness Center Parking Lot



# Letters to the Editor

## Our Eminent Editor

What a gem we have with the News Review. The editor must go through some polishing to make it so. I can't imagine having to discern between what letters are published or not, and how to balance investigative writing versus the overall character of the paper. I am writing with gratitude for the editor's selection to include recent letters of controversy regarding development, the animal shelter and levels of volume at public events. It is actually my support of and gratitude for Bill Norwood's recent letter that prompted this message. I am currently pursuing a master's degree in speech-language pathology, and the curriculum includes study of the hearing mechanism and audiology. I affirm his statement that there is an epidemic of hearing loss in our young people, and am so grateful for the News Review as a vehicle for his continued efforts to raise awareness of this topic of our public health.

Sue Stern

## Fit of Gratitude

The pool was what first brought me to Greenbelt. I discovered it while residing in College Park and later it was a key factor in selecting Greenbelt as a subsequent home. Since then I've gone through different phases of fitness, but have more often than not been a member of the Aquatic & Fitness Center. Last fall I was inspired to rejoin when I discovered a blog by Susan Harris mentioning a new piece of equipment. What good timing – since then we've received a lot of new equipment. However, what impressed me most was the decisions required for the equipment selection by Cheryl Conrad. While current trends might have ditched the Universal equipment, she was familiar with the needs of the patrons. How blessed we are for her more than 20 years of service there. Our fitness center is simply the best - no blaring music, two large, "real" (aka old fashioned) mats for stretching, lots of selection for cardio equipment and now a fantastic array of equipment (old and new) for resistance training. In addition, it's so nice to see the familiar face of Julie at the front desk who's also been a devoted employee. Kudos to the whole team, your efforts are appreciated!

Sue Stern

## Think Smart Growth

I have observed with increasing concern the anti-development efforts among fellow Greenbelters. It seems that people are conflating the issues of transportation, gentrification and wildlife conservation/climate change. I will try to address each.

One of the reasons there is so much traffic on Kenilworth Avenue is because there isn't enough

housing in Greenbelt. People are having to drive from job centers further south to housing further north because they can't live in Greenbelt. Also, the way Greenbelt is laid out encourages car commuting. I live 2.5 miles from the Metro and I would love to get an electric bike and zip to the Metro, Greenbelt Park and Riverdale. But because of the lack of quality bike infrastructure, I don't feel safe. Another great idea is a streetcar or trolley on Kenilworth with stops in Greenbelt, Greenbelt Park, Riverdale, Hyattsville and D.C. But right now there is not enough demand to spur those improvements because there is not enough housing in Greenbelt.

What I am concerned about is that the development will be a luxury building. If only luxury buildings are built then I agree that Greenbelt will become an exclusive playground of the rich. So if you are truly concerned about gentrification you will support more housing, especially non-luxury housing.

I agree that some forests in the area should be preserved for our enjoyment and to help prevent sprawl. Building a high-rise within walking distance of the Metro prevents demand from being pushed further out and also prevents sprawl.

This area will continue to be developed. The slope has slipped, the ship has sailed and saving five acres isn't going to save the planet. It's time to stop being "anti-growth" and to start thinking "smart growth."

Maya Robinson

## Great for Greenbelt?

With regards to Southern Management, Inc.'s proposal to build a 25-story luxury apartment building on the Lakeside North Apartments property, I am concerned about these plans and how they could impact Old Greenbelt:

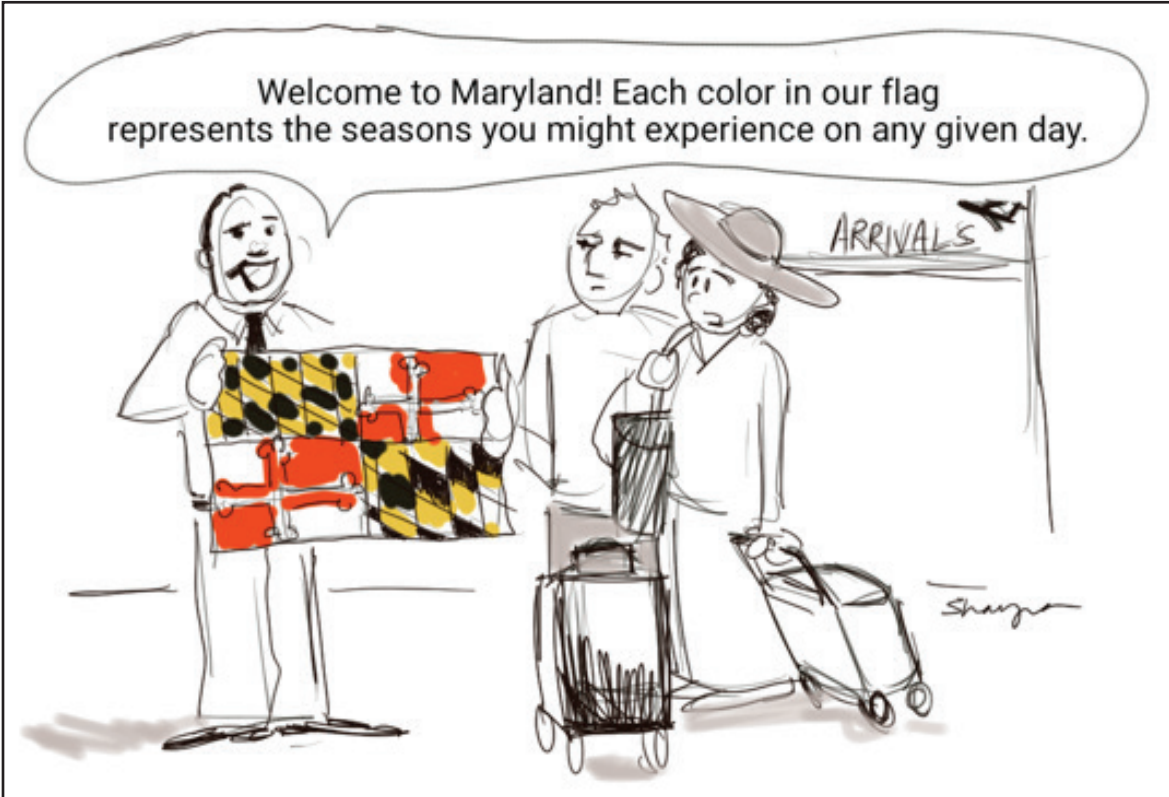
The height of the building sounds monstrous. It reminds me of how northern Virginia looks now. Lots of retail stores and highway. There would be more traffic. Kenilworth Avenue is already very busy. Woodlands would be cut down, animals would be displaced. I am saddened by that thought.

Affordability of housing: I assume rental fees would increase. Where will folks live when they can no longer afford their apartment?

Our backyard: The complex can be seen from our backyard. The yard is already very shady. Would this highrise block more of the sun? Will not even my liriopie grow?

The residents (of Lakeside North) are very quiet and there's no crime. I appreciate the woodlands and green space on their property. Aside from a tax shelter for the owner and providing

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Cartoon by Shayna Skolnik

### Correction

In last week's article about the Capstone program at Eleanor Roosevelt High School the News Review did not say clearly that Capstone focuses on social sciences, behavior science and the humanities. Students may focus on science and tech if they choose to but the other options are part of the program.



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## The Greenbelt Grasshopper

Check out the Kids' Section on page 12.

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### On Screen

## Money Monster

Coming to the Old Greenbelt Theatre on your lucky day (Friday the 13th) is Money Monster, a thriller set in real time directed by Jodie Foster. Financial wizard George Clooney and his assistant Julia Roberts are taken hostage on Clooney's TV show by an irate investor trying to expose Wall Street's fraudulence.  
Rated R. Running time: 95 minutes.

- Jim Link



# Community Events

## Del. Washington Tour at New Deal

Delegate Alonzo Washington invites the community to join him on his Table Talk Tour for an informal conversation of issues, concerns, or questions residents may have regarding the 2016 Legislative Session, the county, or District 22.

This month, his Table Talk Tour will stop at the New Deal Café on Saturday, May 21 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Busy at MakerSpace

Friday, May 13 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Little Makers (ages 2 to 5yrs) will be crafting and creating.

Saturday, May 14 Repair Café returns from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring us your broken items and we'll try to fix them!

Sunday May 15 from noon to 1:30 p.m. Lego Build begins another session. From 2 to 4 p.m.our free Animation Workshop taught by local artist Ola Betiku continues.

Tuesday May 17, our Arduino class continues from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday May 18, Junior Lego builders will be working from 4 to 5 p.m. Knit Night, for knitters, crocheters and other fibers enthusiasts is from 6 to 9 p.m.

Thursday May 19 LEGO Robotics Programming, from 5 to 7 p.m. Class size is limited, some experience required. Coder Dojo continues from 7 to 8 pm where kids from 9 to 14 are working on game design.

## Youth Plan Car Wash, Lunch And Bake Sale

On Saturday, May 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the youth group of Mowatt Memorial UMC will hold a car wash to begin fundraising for their 2017 trip to ROCK, a yearly weekend retreat meant to expand their Christian frontiers. The youth will also be offering a hot dog lunch and baked goods for sale. The event will be held on the church grounds at 40 Ridge Road. For more information, call 301-474-9410 or go to [mowattumc.org](http://mowattumc.org).

## Greenbelt Writers Plan for Peace Month

The Greenbelt Writers Group (GWG) will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Open readings will be held, in addition to planning for GWG participation in Peace Month in Greenbelt. The Peace Month GWG meeting on Friday, June 17 may include readings from writers' own works as well as published works with a peace theme. All interested writers are invited to participate in meetings.

## Kitten Shower On Sunday

W.A.G.S. (Well-Wishers for the Animals of the Greenbelt Shelter) will hold a Kitten Shower at American Legion Post 136, 6900 Greenbelt Road, on Sunday, May 15 from noon to 4 p.m.

There will be light refreshments and the opportunity to buy raffle tickets for gift baskets. Kittens from the Greenbelt Shelter will be on the premises and guests interested in adopting may fill out applications.

W.A.G.S. will also be collecting "shower gifts" for the kittens at the event. Items on the wish list include cat beds, fleece blankets, towels, kitten food (both dry and wet), kitten replacement milk, kitten bottles, toys, heating pads/Snuggle Safes™, kitten/cat collars, pine fresh litter, small litter pans, cat carriers, cat trees, Lemon Joy dish detergent, canned pumpkin, mineral oil, Feliway, cat nail clippers and monetary donations. Monetary donations may be sent to W.A.G.S., P.O. Box 1672, Greenbelt, MD 20768-1672 or submitted online at [go-fundme.com/GBAnimalShelter](http://go-fundme.com/GBAnimalShelter).

Tickets may be purchased at the door or prior to the event at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter on Wednesday from 4 to 7 p.m. or Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.

## School Transfer Window Opens

The Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) Student Transfer Season Window is open. PGCPS will accept student transfer requests for the 2016-2017 school year from May 9 through June 10, 2016.

Parents and guardians can submit transfer requests electronically through the SchoolMax Family Portal. Portal access is limited to parents and legal guardians. Electronic transfer requests are only accepted from students enrolled in PGCPS.

The Office of Student Records, Transfers and Archival Services will not accept transfer requests to schools that exceed state-rated capacity.

For details, transfer process instructions, and FAQs, visit the Student Transfer Request at [PGCPS.org](http://PGCPS.org).

## Registration for GES

Greenbelt Elementary School is currently accepting registrations for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students for the 2016-2017 school year each Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration for new students in grades one through five opens on June 21. A list of the required residency documents and health forms is available at [pgcps.org/greenbeltes/](http://pgcps.org/greenbeltes/).

## Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads.

The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership.

## Dems Meet May 20

The Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club's meeting of Friday, May 20, 7:30 p.m. features Pat Murray, executive director of the Maryland Democratic Party. The club's meeting will be held in the newly renovated Greenbriar Community Building. The featured topic will be the upcoming Democratic Party convention in Philadelphia, the party's platform and organizing for the general congressional, senatorial, and presidential election this November.

## Give Tandem Cycling a Whirl

If you've ever wanted to experience a tandem bicycle, on Saturday, May 14, the Greenbelt Recreation Department is hosting a Tandem Cycling Experience. This event is designed for those who are blind or visually impaired but is open to all. Learn how to get on and off a tandem, how to be a stoker and/or a captain and how to have some fun on the bicycle built for two.

This event will be held in the Community Center Rooms 103 and 106 beginning at 1 p.m. Participants must be 16 years of age and older, should wear closed-toe and soft-soled shoes and comfortable dress (no loose-fitting clothes), and bring a helmet, if possible. The event is free, but registration is required – the registration number with the Greenbelt Recreation Department is 252505-1. Tandem bikes will be available, thanks to College Park/Mt. Airy Bikes 1-2-3.

Volunteers are needed. This is a great opportunity to pick up some community service hours. Call 240-542-2054 for more information or to volunteer and/or register.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

## Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (GATe)

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### Free and Open to the Public GATe Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, May 17th from 7:30 – 10 PM

### Members Only

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Saturday, May 21st, 10-4:30 PM

Reserve a seat at [greenbeltaccess@gmail.com](mailto:greenbeltaccess@gmail.com)

For more information, visit the GATe website or e-mail [greenbeltaccess@gmail.com](mailto:greenbeltaccess@gmail.com)

See what's showing on Comcast 77 and Verizon FiOS 19 by visiting [www.greenbeltaccessstv.org](http://www.greenbeltaccessstv.org) and click on "Channel"

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext 4215.

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of May16 are as follows:

Monday, May 16: Grape juice, baked chicken with sweet and sour sauce, fried rice, Japanese vegetables, wheat roll, mandarin oranges and pineapple.

Tuesday, May 17: Apple juice, BBQ pork riblet, baked beans, collard greens, cornbread, tropical fruit.

Wednesday, May 18: Cranberry juice, baked potato with broccoli and cheese sauce, mixed green salad with ranch dressing, sour cream, fresh fruit.

Thursday, May 19: Apple juice, baked chicken with apricot mustard sauce, mashed spiced yams, broccoli, wheat bread, sliced peaches.

Friday, May 20: Orange juice, veal parmesan with marinara sauce, garlic rotini, spinach, Italian bread, cherry fruited jello.

## Store-wide Tasting Event at the Co-op

On Saturday, May 21, the Co-op Supermarket will host a store-wide tasting event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vendors and store staff will be throughout the store offering tastings and samples of a wide range of the co-op's products. Readers are invited to come in and try some new things while they stock up on their old favorites.

The event is being hosted by the Co-op as part of the Greenbelt Community Foundation's 10th anniversary. Generous support by the Greenbelt Community Foundation allowed the Greenbelt Co-op to implement a consumer corner that turned the bare Roosevelt Center entrance of the store into a place where patrons can find out about upcoming store events, Roosevelt Center happenings, and the Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance. They can also get some of the latest health news, recipes, and shopping tips. They can access member services, provide feedback to the store management, and request new products.

## Kids Open Mic

Musicians, singers and other performers ages 17 and younger are invited to the New Deal Café, a low-key, friendly place for families to gather and make music, on Sunday, May 15 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcomed.

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## Week of May 13

### FRIDAY – SATURDAY

Keanu, PG-13  
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The Jungle Book, PG  
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The Darkness, PG-13  
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Captain America: Civil War, 3D, PG-13\*\*  
11:30, 2:45, 9:10  
Captain America: Civil War, 2D, PG-13  
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The Huntsman, PG-13  
7, 9:35  
Barbershop 3, PG-13  
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45  
Zootopia, PG  
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### SUNDAY – WEDNESDAY

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### THURSDAY

Angry Birds, PG  
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Utopia Film Festival Presents  
Sunday, May 15th & Wednesday, May 18th  
Beginning at 8 PM

“Subdivided,” and  
“Supercharge Me: 30 Days of Raw”

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# Obituaries

## Donald G. Morrison

Pioneer Greenbelter Donald George Morrison, 79, of Elkridge, Md. died May 2, 2016 at the Veterans Home in Martinsburg, West Virginia.

Mr. Morrison, born in Washington, D.C. on July 26, 1936, was the third child of Allen D. and Alta Morrison. He was just one when the family moved to the brand new town of Greenbelt, where his father served on the City Council during the 1940s and was Mayor during the war years of 1941 to 1945. Mr. Morrison attended the Greenbelt schools and played trumpet in the Greenbelt Band. He graduated from Northwestern High School in 1954.

After high school, Mr. Morrison joined the Army Air Force Reserve and worked in the office at Andrews Air Force Base. In 1957 he enlisted in the U.S. Army, where he served for two years. He worked at the Greenbelt post office for some years when Emory Harman was postmaster. After taking computer courses, he was employed in later years as a computer programmer.

Mr. Morrison is survived by his brother William B. Morrison of Greenbelt, his sister-in-law Yvonne Moore Morrison of Davidsonville, and several nieces and nephews and their families. He was predeceased by his sister Shirley Morrison Clute and his brother David A. Morrison. A funeral service was held at Gasch's Funeral Home on May 5, with interment at Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

## Martin Coyne

Martin Coyne (Marty) died at the age of 92 on May 4, 2016. He and his wife, Mary grew up in a small town, South Fork, Pa., and moved to Greenbelt in 1964 for better job opportunities. They raised their four daughters in Greenbelt. Mr. Coyne worked as an operating engineer for the federal government for most of his working life, from which he retired in 1987 at the age of 65. After two years of retirement, he couldn't sit still so he started a new job working at Green Ridge House as a caretaker, from which he retired at the age of 87.

Mr. Coyne was a World War II veteran in Patton's Army. He was the recipient of the following awards: Good Conduct Medal, Distinguished Unit Badge, European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with five bronze stars and the WWII Victory Medal for his service in World War II. Around the age of 87 he began recollecting his years in the military. He was a squad leader for a half track and in the D-Day invasion was in the second wave of troops. He also told about going on reconnaissance missions in German territory, and bore wit-

ness to the liberation of Dachau.

Mr. Coyne and his wife Mary were avid dancers and frequented the jives scenes in and around South Fork. His last jitterbug was only last year at a Coyne family reunion in Pennsylvania.

The Coynes moved to Annapolis in 2013 to be closer to their daughters. Mr. Coyne is survived by wife Mary, four daughters – Karen Macdonald, Kathleen Bowers, Peggy Shipley and Marianne Flaggs, along with grandchildren Amy Macdonald; Katie, Michael and Michelle Bowers, Adam Shipley; Daniel Raithel and Christopher Flaggs; and great-grandchildren Mardi Belle Rocheleau, Kennedy Matthews, Jaxson Matthews and Gregory Kerr, Jr. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Johnny Bowers.

## Juanita M. Delaney

Greenbelt resident Juanita Delaney died on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at age 95. She was the wife of the late Thomas F. "Tim" Delaney; mother of Barbara (Rick) Franke and Tom (Diane) Delaney; grandmother of Richard Brent Franke, Erin R. (Jesse) Birch and Robert (Lois) Delaney; and great-grandmother of Tobias, Genevieve and Kateri Birch, Darin Park and Morgan Delaney. She was preceded in death by seven siblings. Friends may call at Gasch's Funeral Home, 4739 Baltimore Avenue, Hyattsville for details of the service, which will be held on Thursday, May 12 at 12 p.m. Interment will take place at Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

## Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

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housing that people may or not be able to afford, how might this project be great for Greenbelt?

*Danielle Celdran*

## Thanks from the Trees

On behalf of our beautiful forest trees I want to thank all who attended the Arbor Day Celebration events on April 29 and 30. It was such a wonderful group of people who came together to enjoy hearing Dr. Joan Maloof of Old-Growth Forest Network and to explore our Greenbelt Forest Preserve.

As with any event, it takes a village to bring everything together and the details are dependent on many people. Thanks are due to the following: Luisa Robles for helping to facilitate a great location for the Friday evening talk; Rebekah Sutfin of the Community Center for her amazing ability to support the event's needs and keep track of many changes; Malia Murray for her last minute technical support and

providing her own private computer for us to use; Konrad Herling for helping to procure audio equipment needed for the event; Anne Marie Belton for arranging the needed permit; Mary Lou Williamson for hosting our guest; Paul Downs for his insights into the past and future of our forest preserve; Jean Newcomb for her wonderful graphic designs and behind the scenes support; Kristi Fletcher for keeping our website up to date and being available for any unexpected events and requests; Aileen Kroll for helping to usher folks to the right location; to all those warriors who fought for our "woods" to become today's forest preserve; our co-sponsors CHEARS, Pathways of Sustainability and the Forest Preserve Advisory Board; and Greenbelt News Review for printing an article about the event. And thanks to our forest preserve for bringing us biodiversity, clean air, refuge and beauty.

*Susan Barnett*



Condolences to the friends and family of Greenbelter Juanita Delaney, who died on May 7.

Condolences to the family of Martin Coyne who died on May 4.

Congratulations to Christina Harrington, a teacher at Holy Redeemer School in College Park, who was one of 10 recipients of the Golden Apple awards presented by the Archdiocese of Washington for excellence in teaching in Catholic schools. Christina grew up in Greenbelt and is the daughter of JoAnn and the late Norman McCarthy. She is a graduate of St. Hugh's School, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton High School and St. Mary's College in southern Maryland. She teaches math and science to third and fourth graders at Holy Redeemer, where she has been working for almost 25 years, and was heralded in an article in the Catholic Standard as the school's "unsung hero."

Congratulations to Greenbelter David Gardner on winning a National Merit Scholarship. He is a student at ERHS and the son of News Review stalwarts Anne and Jon Gardner.

Congratulations to James "Mike" Culhane, who graduates from the Catholic University of America with a bachelor's degree in psychology and a minor in drama this month. Mike graduated from St. Hugh's in 2008.

At this time of year, we know many awards and accolades are presented. Please share your accomplishments, milestones, and news for the next Our Neighbors column. Send complete details on your news to kyoho@comcast.net.

- Karen Yoho





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have lower salary costs, initially. In addition, the vacancies give the city manager and director the opportunity to look at the skills needed and possibly modify the responsibilities of the position to meet current needs.

Sustainability

The city is committed to meeting goals set by Maryland and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments for reducing greenhouse gas emissions by reducing electricity and natural gas usage, increasing the recycling rate, decreasing landfill tonnage, increasing the number of alternative fuel vehicles and reducing motor fuel usage. In addition, the city has adopted a Sustainable Land Care Policy that severely restricts the use of pesticides, using them only as a last resort. This has increased the work for the Public Works staff assigned to maintaining the city’s landscape areas.

The proposed volunteer environmental coordinator would continue the environmental stewardship opportunities previously performed by the partnership-funded employee, serve as liaison to Green Team Initiatives and work on retaining the city’s status as a Sustainable Maryland Certified City and a Maryland Smart Energy Community. Initially, filling this position would not require increased spending due to salary savings from the retirement of two long-term department employees.

The city was awarded a \$100,000 grant to improve the energy efficiency of lights at the Community Center, Skate Park and Springhill Lake Recreation Center parking lot. However, the funds have not yet been released by the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) pending the conclusion of its review of the payback periods for the improvements. Because Greenbelt had made earlier improvements to improve energy efficiency, the new steps may not have the level of Return on Investment that the MEA is looking for.

Refuse and Recycling

To encourage and facilitate recycling, the city has been distributing 65-gallon rolling carts for recyclables to single family homes that use the city’s recycling collection service. McLaughlin included \$9,500 in the budget to provide these carts to Lakewood during the upcoming year and noted that it would cost \$5,000 to provide the carts to Woodland Hills residents, which would complete the program. In addition, Sustainability Coordinator Luisa Robles said that the department is now trying to encourage residents re-

questing special trash pickup for larger items (such as furniture) to find other ways to dispose of the goods such as by donating to a charity. She noted that some charities will take goods regardless of condition.

The proposed budget calls for a \$3 per quarter increase in residential refuse collection fees to accommodate a \$5/ton increase in county tipping fees and a new \$25/ton fee for recyclables. The county has also changed the materials that will be accepted for recycling. Staff has updated its YES/NO information sheet for curbside collection, which is available at [greenbeltmd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/560](http://greenbeltmd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/560).

Roads

In addition to plowing and routine repairs, the budget also provides for resurfacing nearly a mile of roadway on Rosewood Drive, White Birch Court, Mathew Street, Brett Place and Northway from Hillside to Ridge.

Equipment

The budget provides for the purchase of four vehicles from the replacement fund: three pickups and a large dump truck.

Greenbelt Connection

Although not part of the Public Works budget, the Greenbelt Connection, which provides a limited transportation service within the city, is run by the department. The proposed budget for next year is up 0.7 percent to \$118,700. Fares, currently \$1 for seniors and physically challenged individuals and \$2 for other residents, cover \$7,500 of that amount (6.3 percent) with the rest from general city revenues.

Possible Additions

Councilmember Silke Pope called for adding funds for a second dog park. Councilmember Leta Mach suggested adding \$5,000 to complete the recycling project.

Travel Trailer Show In Glenn Dale

The free Airstream Travel Trailer Show will take place Saturday, May 14 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Marietta House Museum in Glenn Dale. Tour vintage Airstream Travel trailers from the 1930s through present day. Call 301-464-5291 or 301-699-2544 (TTY) for more information.

Ballet Showcase At Maryland

Ballet Company M presents its free Spring Showcase on Sunday, May 15 at 3 p.m. in the Dance Theatre of The Clarice. Ballet Company M will be featuring ballet, modern and jazz choreography and collaborations from multiple members.

Council Discusses Allotments For City Contribution Groups

by James Giese

Eight organized sports and arts groups currently receive annual contributions from the city. The proposed City of Greenbelt budget for Fiscal Year 2017 proposes the same amount of funds, \$81,400, as was provided in the current year. While most organizations were satisfied with the amount budgeted, two seek increases and two others not currently funded are seeking funding. If council should approve their requests, \$21,300 would be added to the budget.

The two organizations seeking funding next year are the Greenbelt Soccer Alliance, Inc. (GSA), \$6,000 and the Greenbelt Community Foundation, (GCF) \$10,000. The two seeking increases are: Friends of the New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA), from \$2,500 to \$3,500 and Greenbelt Arts Center, from \$34,300 to \$38,600.

Satisfied with current funding are: Greenbelt Concert Band, \$4,600; Greenbelt Senior Softball, \$1,000; Greenbelt Aquatic Boosters, \$8,500; Greenbelt Youth Baseball, Inc., \$10,000; Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club, \$15,000; and Greenbelt Babe Ruth Associates, \$5,500.

At its May 4 worksession, the Greenbelt City Council met with representatives of these organizations to learn more about their needs and accomplishments and to hear reports on funding recommendations prepared by the city’s Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) and the Arts Advisory Board (AAB). Council also met with representatives of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, which does not receive city funding but is extensively supported by city facilities, equipment, staff and crews.

Council took no actions at the worksession.

Greenbelt Soccer Alliance

Fielding three team programs and growing, the GSA is now playing its games in New Carrollton, finding Greenbelt fields unsuitable for competition. This change has attracted non-city resident participation, particularly from New Carrollton where the city provides the field without charge as well as equipment storage space. In addition, New Carrollton provides a \$2,500 grant to assist in paying for New Carrollton youth to participate. GSA is seeking a similar grant of \$6,000 to assist Greenbelt players.

PRAB unanimously opposed the request, believing the cost per child excessive. The group

is based out of the city and is in direct competition with other city programs. Greg Varda of the Recreation Department said that it did work with GSA but that it did compete with Boys and Girls Club soccer and had affected that program. David Whiteman, representing GSA, said that its program was aimed primarily at youth under 12.

Councilmembers Edward Putens and Silke Pope said they liked the GSA program and thought it was a good model. Councilmember Judith Davis suggested that instead of GSA becoming a contribution group, it be considered for a grant.

Community Foundation

GCF is celebrating its 10th anniversary and seeks city assistance in funding costs of that celebration. To date it has awarded \$141,000 in small grants to community organizations focusing mainly on education, arts and the environment. The GCF raises funds through donations, which are invested with earned interest used to fund grants. Most effort is done by volunteers with \$3,000 allocated for part-time staff.

AAB rates the GCF as very good overall, though not really an arts organization. It recommended that it be partially funded in its request for \$10,000, possibly for \$1,000 to \$2,000. City Manager Michael McLaughlin suggested that instead of the GCF buying tents and tables and paying for photocopies, the city might loan or make available such items as needed, since this was for a one-time event.

FONDCA

The FONDCA board has requested another \$1,000 to expand activities, particularly Jazz Under the Stars. Approaching its 15th Anniversary, FONDCA has been sponsoring a free outdoor concert series at Roosevelt Center and the New Deal Café’s year-round art show program.

AAB rates FONDCA as very good overall and supports (5-1) its request for an added \$1,000. Arts Coordinator Nicole DeWald said AAB was hesitant to support undesignated programs.

Councilmembers questioned FONDCA’s relationship with the Café and representative Barbara Simon indicated it has received Café support as well as free meals for concert participants. She is reluctant to ask for more. Davis noted that individual contributions to FONDCA were up

but that corporate sponsorship was down. Simon noted difficulty in getting financial statements to include in grant applications has delayed that process.

Greenbelt Arts Center

Operating the theater facility under the Co-op Supermarket, the Arts Center’s membership consists of 35 percent Greenbelt residents. It employs a part-time general manager and contracts for technical and artistic assistance with small stipends. Its biggest expense is for rental of the premises, almost \$25,000 per year. Most participants, including actors, are volunteers, and 40 percent of those are residents. While the center projects a modest increase in admissions to \$33,000, its major source of funding the proposed \$90,700 budget is the requested city contribution of \$38,600. The increased contribution would be used to increase the general manager’s part-time status from 20 to 25 hours.

The AAB rates the Arts Center “outstanding” and felt the funding increase would “enhance the effectiveness of the organization.”

Putens sought more performances, particularly musicals, and fewer dark nights. General Manager Joe Wall responded that the lack of rehearsal space prevented the center doing more. (It does some rehearsing at the Community Center.)

Wall noted that the center now has new seats – for which some councilmembers expressed personal pleasure – and a sound system. The next goal is to fix up the lobby.

Prince George’s Book Festival Saturday

The Prince George’s County Book Festival will be held at the Prince George’s Sports and Learning Complex in Landover on Saturday, May 14 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. This celebration of the written word is designed to foster an interest in reading. The festival connects readers and writers through featured author appearances and book signings, literary exhibitors, booksellers, poetry readings, workshops, panel discussions and hands-on projects for children.

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# Council Reviews CARES, GAIL Programs at Budget Meeting

by Kathleen Gallagher

At the first of two budget worksessions conducted on the evening of May 2 the Greenbelt City Council met to review social service programs with City Manager Michael McLaughlin, Greenbelt CARES Director Liz Park and Christal Batey, community resource advocate and manager for the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program.

Traditionally, the city council has used the city's budget document and worksessions as a mechanism for city and departmental planning, during which not only the next year's budget but also the department's achievements, problems and plans are all considered as a whole. In this vein, Park opened discussion with a review of highlights in the CARES program for the past year.

**CARES**

Park said that over the year CARES had continued its core work of providing family, individual and group counseling to city residents and others in surrounding communities. It also continued its Youth Mentoring Program, previously initiated with Community Development Block Grant funds, which served 74 young people this year.

CARES sponsored two successful trainings from the Darkness to Light Series, Stewards of Children, to educate city staff and city residents in how to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. It offered an anti-bullying group at Springhill Lake Elementary School with school personnel and 14 youth participating. Also offered in Greenbelt West were GED preparation classes and after-school tutoring at the city's Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Park pointed out that during Fiscal Year 2016 (FY16) CARES was unable to run its usual groups at Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Springhill Lake Elementary School because of scheduling conflicts and time constraints at the schools. As a result, new programs were added in the community, including Active Parenting of Teens workshops held at the high school and the SMART Recovery Program for people seeking sobriety. CARES also worked to form a Family Anonymous group for family and friends of those with substance abuse and related problems.

In terms of program outcomes, Park particularly noted their regular two-year follow-up study on the effects of youth counseling, which indicated that at the two-year point following formal counseling in FY12, none of the clients had engaged in behaviors that brought them into the jurisdiction of the Department of Juvenile Services.

In one of the few mentions of the budget during the worksession, a request was made to add \$16,700 to the amount in the proposed budget in order to keep the position of geriatric case manager/counselor at 32 hours per week instead of a scheduled reduction to 24 hours. Several staff members have been shifting or sharing functions in order to cover needs. This position provides counseling services for a range of problems, including such areas as bipolar and depression disorders, grief, and alcoholism.

**GAIL**

Noting that maintaining the hours for the geriatric case manager/counselor was also a key need in GAIL's FY17 budget request, Batey reviewed the high-

lights of the GAIL program for the year. The program offered a caregivers group, a memory support group and began work on a new Memory Café, based on a European model with Alzheimer's patients. The county is interested in using Greenbelt's activity as a model for other locations.

With funds from the Audrey Barnett Trust, GAIL will establish this year a Senior Emergency Fund to complement the city's emergency fund for needs more likely to affect seniors. The first Women of Wellness Health Fair was held in Greenbelt West. GAIL also continued providing city residents with in-home nursing and community wellness services and offering monthly screenings and health programs at Green Ridge House.

Results of the annual Green Ridge House satisfaction survey indicated residents' strong approval of the services offered by management and the GAIL service coordinator located there. The program is also developing satisfaction surveys for case management and counseling clients.

Councilmember Silke Pope commented that the number of clients served by the GAIL programs goes steadily up. She asked Batey if the program had set a cap on how many clients could be seen. Batey replied, "We take them if there is no one else appropriate to refer them to."

While on the CARES youth and family side, the proposed city budget would increase only about 2.5 percent over the adopted FY16 budget, it would increase nearly 15 percent in the GAIL side as drafted—all of which goes to show that Greenbelters aren't getting any younger.

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Coming out of the Cloud and down to earth, Craze reported that the city had undergone the State Department of Environment's audit of City Soil Erosion and Sediment Control practices, resulting in continuation of the city's two-year delegation of authority, which is the maximum delegation the state grants.

**Franklin Park**

Also under code enforcement, Craze said the department is changing its way of doing inspections at Franklin Park in response to problems there. Rather than handing them a 100-page document with 2,000 violations, she said they are now inspecting on a rolling, ongoing basis. She said they had increased inspections to 10 percent of the total units this year and hope to increase that to 20 percent next year.

It has been two years since the complex has completed repairs specified under the annual inspection report. The owners have items they wish to appeal. Violations for both 2014 and 2015 remained open at the beginning of the 2016 inspection in March, with the result that the property is operating without a current occupancy license.

Councilmember Silke Pope said she had heard more complaints recently that the management was not as responsive as it had once been. Craze said staff thought that they were possibly investing in the renovation of the units. The problems code enforcement was seeing were more in the common areas.

**Beavers Wanted?**

The first round of bid requests for the repairs to the dam at the lake elicited only one response

and has been reissued. Replying to questions from the mayor, Craze said that in sending the request out for a second time, staff is targeting a somewhat broader audience. She said a larger number of bids is needed, but the other potential problem is that the one they received indicated a project cost that was twice as high as the engineer's estimate.

**Dog Park**

Under the animal control section, which is part of the public safety budget, discussion focused on the need for greater enforcement capability at the dog park. Craze said she would talk to staff about increasing patrols and how enforcement can be improved. Councilmember Judith Davis said that the ante was being raised on the cost of running the park, since when it was first proposed and funded there was a strong dog park association, as well as an understanding that the park would largely be self-enforced. She added that, particularly when a second park was being discussed, these concerns should be resolved.

Davis further commented that the association had become active again for a time because of a need for repairs to the park but did not seem to have remained active. Councilmembers agreed that these items should all be discussed when the worksession is eventually held.

Davis and other members of council also complemented staff on the report that was prepared in response to the recent petition regarding the animal shelter and the ongoing criticisms that have been made.

# Museum, Council Discuss Plans for 10-A Crescent

by James Giese

With big smiles, Megan Searing Young, director of the Greenbelt Museum, and Lauren Silberman of the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) met with the Greenbelt City Council at an April 6 budget worksession to discuss the museum's budget for the next fiscal year. Their smiles were because the city had just bought 10-A Crescent Road to add to the museum located next door. With council and staff still digesting the new hunk of real estate it had swallowed and what to do with it, the submitted budget provides only a \$6,000 budget increase, primarily for GHI charges and water and sewer expenses, bringing total city museum expenses to \$111,000.

The previous owner of 10-A wants to take six to 10 months to vacate the premises. A grand opening is being planned for

June or July of 2017. The city is seeking funding support from the Maryland Historic Trust, Preservation Maryland and a Maryland Heritage grant. The museum plans to vacate its space in the Community Center and move into 10-A before the grand opening.

Silberman commended council on its generosity, noting this had been a tremendous year and there was an exciting one coming up. FOGM has already met in 10-A and the space is truly remarkable. "It's not a replica of 10-B," she said.

According to the budget, the expanded museum will provide space for additional programming and education, a visitor center, a research and reading room, col-

lections storage and office space. Councilmember Judith Davis suggested that council hold a worksession to consider plans for the museum.

The museum is developing a working relationship with the Old Greenbelt Theatre, jointly hosting a film screening on WPA art this spring and hopes to do more history related film programming in the future.

The museum is open from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays and by appointment. It is staffed by a full-time director and a part-time volunteer/education coordinator, the latter being funded by FOGM which also provides docents during museum openings.

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## A Little Greenbelt in Switzerland?



PHOTO BY ANDY WURGLER

Mary Baker took the News Review with her to visit her sister, Patricia Wurgler, in Switzerland. She is posing in front of the Wetterhorn Mountains.



PHOTO BY MARY ANN BAKER

While in Switzerland, Baker was amused to find the trees in the city of Boudry are very similar to those in Roosevelt Center.

## Who Let the Bugs Out?

by Li'l Dan Celdran



PHOTO BY LI'L DAN CELDRAN

Ms. Arcido's third grade class celebrates Earth Day by studying insects.

In celebration of Earth Day, parent volunteer Li'l Dan Celdran led a presentation to Ms. Arcido's third grade class at Greenbelt Elementary School, entitled "Who Let the Bugs Out? How insects help our environment." Students heard a story about how camou-

flage helps animals survive. They then "hid" their plastic insects in plain sight to be found. Children then created their own animals and colored them to match colored paper. Students commented, "This is fun!"



# Magnolia School Teachers Lounge Gets a Makeover

by Phyllis L. Gillens



The teachers lounge is shown after the makeover.

On Monday, September 28, 2015 the Magnolia Elementary School teachers lounge was given a makeover. Teachers and staff were exuberantly overjoyed as they entered their lounge that was freshly painted, beautifully decorated, and gorgeously furnished with a new dinette table and sofa. This endeavor was made possible through an Educational Community Partnership with the First Baptist Church of North Brentwood.

Under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Dwayne T. Kay (pastor), Magnolia was selected to participate in the church's 4th Annual Mission's Blitz. The purpose of the Mission's Blitz was to improve the community through a Spirit of Service. The Mission's Blitz Community Service Day was Sunday, September 27. There were several other Educational Partners who were contributors to this very special project. Bob's Discount Furniture matched the church's furniture contribution. Also, TJ Maxx and Next Day Blinds contributed accessory donations for the project.

*Phyllis Gillens is the principal of Magnolia Elementary School.*



Teachers enjoy the unveiling of their lounge, after it had a makeover.

Photos by Phyllis L. Gillens

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# Green Man Music and Sunshine Please the Crowd



Four Shillings Short's Aodh Óg Ó Tuama and Christy Martin perform at the Green Man Festival.

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Festival goers build fairy homes with plants and glitter. From left: Alisha Karley (Miss Greenbelt of 2015), Aminata Diallo, Oliver Caruso (age 4), Isaac Caruso (age 1) and in front is Conal Ryan (age 2.5) and his father.

Festival goers enjoy listening to and participating in the drum circle.

At right: Dorian Winterfeld and Vanessa Harris.

Helen Chen, age 6, holds the picture of the bird she colored at the Zero Waste booth. The activity was designed to honor Rachel Carson.



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Lines formed early for crepes at the Greenbelt Farmers Market opening day on May 8.



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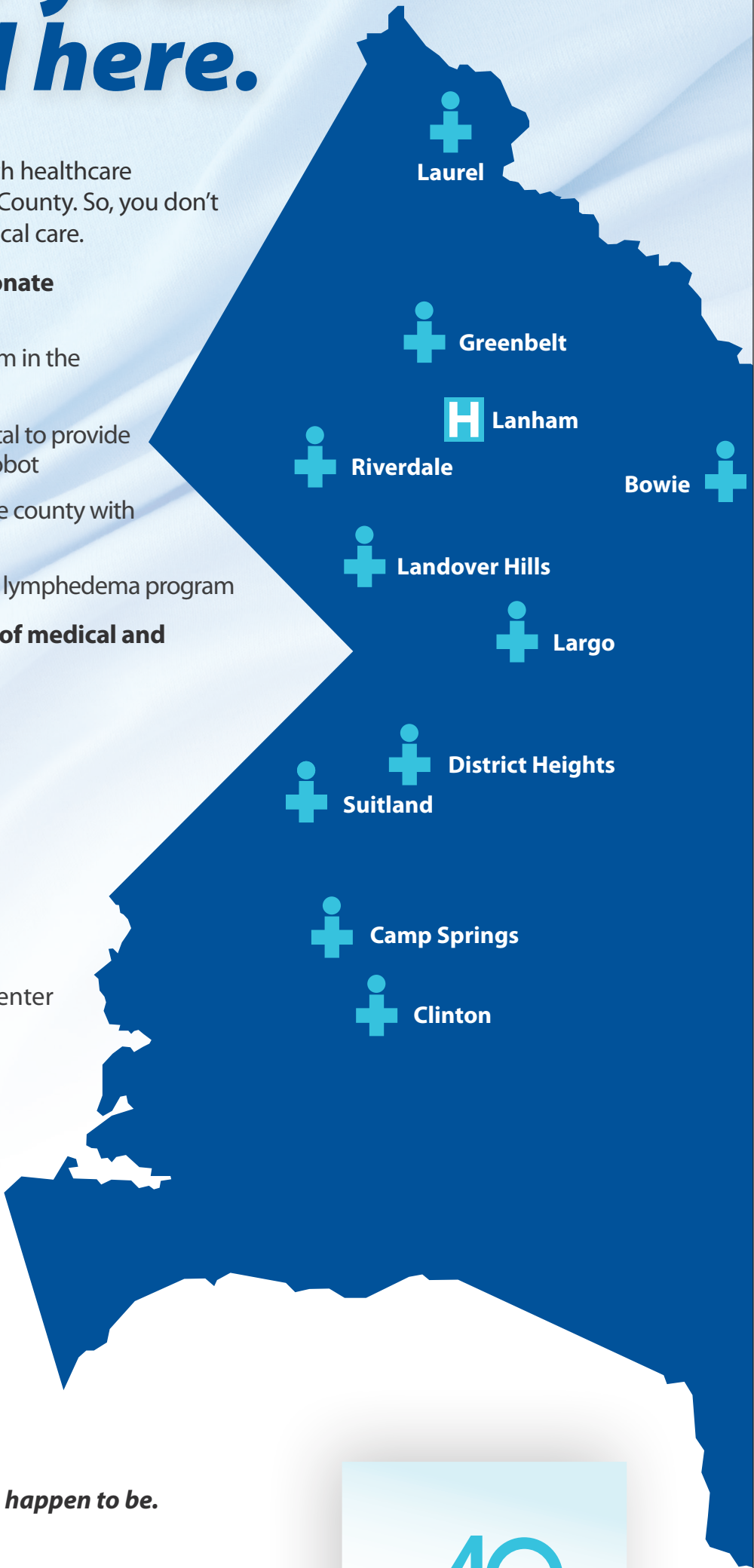
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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

**Robbery Arrest**  
May 4, 2:05 p.m., Hanover Parkway near Mandan Road. A 39-year-old resident was arrested and charged with armed robbery, first degree assault, second degree assault and theft after he allegedly displayed a knife and took a Metro fare card from a person. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

**DWI/DUI**  
April 30, 3:02 p.m., Kenilworth Avenue near Route 495. A 51-year-old resident was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol- and traffic-related violations during a traffic investigation. He was released on citations pending trial.

May 2, 3:02 p.m., 500 block Crescent Road. A 49-year-old resident was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol- and traffic-related violations when an officer responded to a report of a possibly intoxicated driver. She was released on citations pending trial.

**Assault**  
May 6 update. The person who alleged a sexual assault took place on April 11 in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace has admitted to police detectives that no sexual assault had occurred.

April 29, 11:48 a.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 56-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with two counts of assault, obstructing and hindering and theft. He entered the Big Lots store without shoes or socks on and took a pair of new socks out of a package and put them on. When the store manager approached him, he punched the manager in the face. He then punched another employee. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The manager was transported by ambulance to Doctors Community Hospital for treatment of a facial laceration.

**Theft**  
May 3, 2:39 p.m., 7600 block Greenbelt Road. A wallet was taken from a purse at the CVS Pharmacy.

**Fraud**  
May 3, 8:06 p.m., 7800 block Emily's Way. A woman reported that checks had been taken from her vehicle in mid-April but she did not report it. She recently discovered the checks were used to take money out of her bank account.

**Counterfeit Money**  
April 27, 2:27 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A man and a woman attempted to pass a counterfeit bill at Beltway Blossom Shop. They fled when the

employee noticed the bill was fake.

April 29, 9:30 p.m., 500 block Crescent Road. A 30-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with possession of counterfeit currency after he was arrested for an open warrant and found to be in possession of it. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

**Trespass**  
May 4, 6:59 p.m., 7400 block Greenbelt Road. A 30-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with trespass after he was observed on the grounds of Greenway Shopping Center after having been banned from there by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

**Burglary**  
April 27, 10:24 a.m., 7800 block Vanity Fair Drive. A backpack, passports, bottles of alcohol and electronic parts were taken after entry was made into the residence by way of a basement door that was accidentally left open.

May 2, 9:15 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. A bedroom window was broken out in an attempt to enter the residence. Entry was not gained.

**Vehicle Crime**  
A 2006 Ford Econoline van vehicle stolen from the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace on May 1 was recovered the next day by the Hanover County Sheriff's Department after it was involved in a theft.

Officers responded to reports of two men breaking into vehicles in the 6000 block Springhill Drive. Witnesses heard glass breaking and then observed them taking property out of a parked vehicle. They fled in a car described as a black Nissan Maxima sedan. It was discovered later that a stereo system had been removed from the parked vehicle.

Two thefts were reported in the 7700 block Hanover Parkway on May 2. Four tires and rims were taken from one vehicle and in the other, a watch, jewelry, tablet computer and wallet were taken after the driver side window was broken out.

Two acts of vandalism were reported in the 400 block Ridge Road on May 2. Four tires on one vehicle were flattened and in the other, the driver side rear window was broken.

A passenger window of a vehicle was broken on Edmonston Road near Edmonston Court and the driver side window of another was broken in the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, which damaged the front passenger seat.



## Fran Lawrence Celebrates 20 Years at McCarl's Office

by Lisa McCarl

Fran Lawrence started working in the Greenbelt office of McCarl Dental Group 20 years ago as a part-time receptionist. Her previous employment in medical offices and hospitals provided an excellent background and she soon became the full-time patient advocate and treatment/financial coordinator. Her comprehensive knowledge about dental health and treatment is a valuable asset to the office and its patients.

Lawrence helps patients achieve their goals for dental health by walking them through the cost, insurance coverage and other financial options for their needed treatment. Her competence and talent in helping patients with their dental insurance coverage is a winning combination with her kind, caring de-

meanor. In addition to helping patients with dental insurance coverage for orthodontics, porcelain veneers, crowns, dental implants and other dental treatments, Lawrence is often able to secure interest free financing. She is a great problem solver with tremendous attention to detail and follow through and skillfully navigates through what can sometimes seem a mountain of paperwork.

Lawrence is also the liaison for technical support. She helps keep the computer systems running smoothly and coordinates implementation of technological upgrades including the digital impression scanning system.

With five adult children and eight grandchildren, Lawrence has done an outstanding job bal-

ancing family and work over the years. Three of her daughters have worked for McCarl Dental Group.

While Lawrence helps in many areas of the dental practice, she says her role as patient advocate and treatment/financial coordinator is her favorite. "I enjoy patient contact. I have worked at many places and have often said and still say today, I could not work for finer people. The dentists at McCarl Dental Group provide a great working environment with all the tools necessary to be successful at my job. I thought this was a great office when I came here 20 years ago and I am still impressed today that they continue to strive to better themselves and the services they offer to their patients."

## Schock Opens Bee Yoga Fusion Studio in Roosevelt Center



PHOTO COURTESY OF BEE YOGA FUSION

Bee Yoga's Gretchen Schock does a yoga pose.

In 2009, Gretchen Schock started Bee Yoga Fusion as a mobile yoga studio in Greenbelt. Schock would show up at any venue to teach, from lunchtime corporate clients to homeschooled children, and she hosted a donation-only community class in the basement of Greenbelt Community Church. Fast-forward seven years and Schock has now opened a studio at 111 Centerway (2nd floor) in Roosevelt Center, next to the New Deal Café.

Schock said, "I am so excited to share the practice of yoga with more people in this community that I value so much."

A nine-year Greenbelt resident, Schock teaches vinyasa yoga, which links breath with movement. Classes range from a beginner Yoga Basics, where students can ask questions and learn proper postures, to an advanced

Yoga for Strength, where arm balances and headstands are the norm. Students love the flooring, often seen in martial arts studios, because it is a continuous foam mat that is forgiving on knees and achy joints. The boutique studio allows everyone to receive personalized instruction and the intimate environment supports building community.

"Gretchen is an amazing teacher and there is always a positive vibe in the studio and a real sense of community," says Laurie Lemieux. "I learn and grow spiritually and physically every time I roll out my mat."

Schock has taught over 2,000 hours of yoga earning her the industry's highest certification of Experienced Yoga Teacher and she has also trained with nationally renowned instructors. She received her 200-hour Registered

Yoga Teacher (RYT) certification from Embrace Your Flow in Washington, D.C. and her 500-hour RYT from Charm City Yoga in Baltimore. Schock received her certification to teach children through MiniYogis with Shana Meyerson in Los Angeles.

Bee Yoga Fusion has also been a part of Greenbelt Park and Recreation programming for years. Schock has taught an after-school yoga program at Greenbelt Elementary School and is a well-known part of the city's Kinder Camp each summer.

"My son and I are both students of Gretchen's and I love that he is learning yoga, breathing techniques and how to live a kind life," says Katy Collin. "She has been a guide for him and me by really taking yoga off the mat and into our daily lives."

In 2014, Bee Yoga Fusion signed up with the Maryland State Highway Administration to adopt a stretch of Kenilworth Avenue. At least four times a year, Schock leads other yogis in a road clean up. "Yoga is more than just poses, yoga is about tuning in to your breath and getting still in your mind. It's about being compassionate and kind to yourself and others, and giving back to the community," says Schock.

The new studio opened on May 2 and Schock already has plans to participate in many of Greenbelt's festivals throughout the year. In the new space she will teach both adult and kids classes and specialty workshops and partner with other Greenbelt nonprofits and businesses to encourage healthy living practices.

To learn more, visit [BeeYogaFusion.com](http://BeeYogaFusion.com).



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# Miscellaneous, Capital Projects Budgets Reviewed

by Diane Oberg

On April 27 the Greenbelt City Council began its review of several of the smaller budget categories and accounts as well as the Capital Projects budget. As is often the case, this review turned up some additional expenditures that councilmembers might like to add during council’s final budget worksession on Monday, May 16.

### Capital Projects

Council took a first look at the capital projects budget but will review the projects more thoroughly later in the year. The Capital Projects Fund accounts for money set aside for infrastructure needs from grants and transfers from the city’s general fund (general tax revenue).

The fund will close the current year with an estimated balance of \$206,033. The city is expecting to receive state and county grants totaling \$909,200 and City Manager Michael McLaughlin is proposing to set aside \$750,000 from the general fund, resulting in \$1,865,233 in available funds.

He is proposing to spend \$1,730,200 leaving an estimated balance at the end of the year of \$135,033. The proposed projects are:

Lake Dam Repair – McLaughlin has budgeted \$600,000 for this state mandated project. The city is working on rebidding the project as the first attempt did not result in an acceptable proposal. He acknowledged that the work may cost more than the budgeted

amount but said that he could not shoehorn any more into the budget.

Gateway Entrance Signage – \$25,000. The council and the city staff have been working with Site Designer Sharon Bradley to design and determine placement of the signs but cost estimates are not yet available. The budget document notes that it is seeking to obtain matching grants using the funds set aside.

Street Resurfacing – resurfacing and base repair of Rosewood Drive, White Birch Court, Mathew Street, Brett Place and Northway from Hillside to Ridge are proposed for \$385,000, along with \$40,000 for miscellaneous concrete repairs.

The city is also seeking a Community Parks and Playground grant to fund a \$165,200 replacement of the playground at the Community Center.

McLaughlin is proposing to spend \$56,000 on implementing the pedestrian/bicycle master plan and the bus stop accessibility study and on improving trails and pathways in Greenbrook.

The budget also sets aside \$459,000 for land acquisition. This is up slightly from the \$450,000 adopted but not spent in the FY16 budget.

### Other Possibilities

Councilmembers expressed interest considering several unfunded projects – a second dog park (Silke Pope), and replacement of Youth Center Roof (Em-

mett Jordan). The FY16 budget allocated \$5,000 for planning the dog park, but the FY17 budget provides no further funding.

### Special Projects Fund

The special projects fund is a set-aside for specific purposes. The major source of funding for this account is cable television franchise fees. For FY17 the city is anticipating receiving \$252,000 in such funds. The main expenditure proposed under the special projects fund is upgrading audio-video equipment in the council chambers and possibly the multipurpose room of the community center. This project is budgeted for \$230,000. Another \$45,000 is proposed for information technology to replace personal computers and servers and \$8,000 to purchase field reporting hardware and software for inspectors in the Department of Planning and Community Development.

Jordan asked about cleaning of the bas reliefs on the community center and the mother and child statue. McLaughlin said that Assistant Director for Planning Terri Hruby was working on a proposal.

### 2001 Bond Fund

Councilmember Judith Davis noted that this fund continues to show a negative balance (-\$1 million) and that no funds are budgeted in the current fiscal year to address that issue.

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## May Reel and Meal Features Seeds

On Monday, May 16 at the New Deal Café, Reel and Meal in partnership with the Pathways of Sustainability will present Open Sesame: The Story of Seeds. An optional vegan buffet begins at 6:30 p.m.; the free film screening is at 7 p.m.

Seeds provide the basis for everything from fabric to food to fuels. Seeds are one of the world’s most precious resources, and they are at risk. This timely and revealing documentary by M. Sean Kaminsky illuminates what is at stake and what we can do to protect the source of nearly all of our food: seeds.

The evening will also include a fundraising raffle with a first prize of a subscription to Calvert Farms CSA – twenty weeks of fresh veggies and fruit – and many additional prizes. To purchase raffle tickets, contact Susan Barnett at [susnbarn@earthlink.net](mailto:susnbarn@earthlink.net) or 301-474-7465 or 443-388-2961.

Pathways of Sustainability, a Greenbelt Green Team group, aims to identify, map and promote the public and private sustainable practices in the city such as rain barrels, pollinator gardens, compost bins, rain gardens, permeable pavements, native plant communities, etc. Everyone is encouraged to register their sustainable practices to get on the map. Registration forms will be available on May 16.

Reel and Meal is a monthly film series focused on environmental, social justice and animal rights issues. The series has three organizing groups: Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group, Green Vegan Networking and the Prince George’s County Peace and Justice Coalition.

For more information on this month’s program, contact Susan Barnett or visit [newdealcafe.com/events/ReelAndMeal](http://newdealcafe.com/events/ReelAndMeal).

## Exploring Project Green and Grey

Explorations Unlimited welcomes Peter Johnson, founder and executive director of Project Green and Grey, on Friday, May 13. Project Green and Grey focuses on bringing the voices of those aged 50 and older to the climate movement to produce advocates for a federal response to the climate crisis. Those over age 50 have powerful voices in the voting realm, voices that deserve to be heard.

Johnson is a veteran of the climate movement, having worked on federal climate campaigns for the League of Conservation Voters and Greenpeace. He is passionate about the cause and is determined to share valuable information with others.

Explorations Unlimited is on Friday afternoons from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

## Boxwood Village Scholarship Open

The Boxwood Village Civic Association offers an annual \$500 scholarship to a resident of Boxwood Village. It is available to graduating high school seniors and to full-time (at least 12 credit hours per semester) undergraduate students. The scholarship is partially funded through the proceeds from the Boxwood Booth at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival.

The application form should be completed and returned by June 30. A scholarship committee composed of five Boxwood Village residents will choose this year’s recipient. For further information and/or to pick up an application form, call Jean Cook at 301-345-2597 or Judy Ott at 301-474-0222.



## The Greenbelt Grasshopper

Have a joke, riddle or work of art you want to share?  
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### Trivia Time:

Most of the Earth’s surface is covered in water! There is more water than land on our beautiful planet.

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What begins with T, ends with T and has T in it?

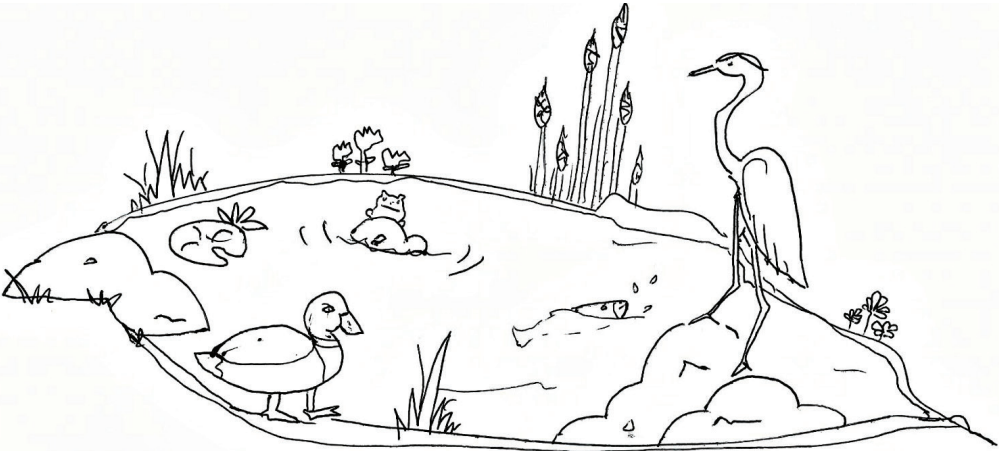
### Joke of the Week

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Riddle in the middle answer:  
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# The Co-op Supermarket: More than Bread and Milk

by Caroline H. Fuchs



PHOTO BY MELINDA BRADY

The Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket.

Eggs, bread, milk, and for some, beer and wine. These dietary staples and other food items are found at the well-known and often visited Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy (Co-op) in Roosevelt Center. Consumers take the ubiquitous Safeway and Giant grocery stores for granted, but the residents of Greenbelt have treasured this local Co-op since the 1940’s.

The community is invited to spend Saturday, May 21 with the Co-op as part of the Greenbelt Community Foundation (GCF) 10th Anniversary campaign titled Explore Your Greenbelt. The Co-op will be hosting a storewide food and wine tasting event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For 10 years, the GCF has awarded grants to local community organizations and cooperatives that bring residents together. Explore Your Greenbelt is a seven-month celebratory campaign that encourages families, individuals and young professionals to get to know the foundation and the organizations it supports by participating in specific monthly events and activities.

A centerpiece of Greenbelt, the Co-op was the recipient of a GCF grant that established its popular Community Corner. An empty corner at the front of the store was transformed into a communication hub with bulletin boards housing event information, nutrition tips, recipes, and general postings from residents. At the Community Corner you can find out about the upcoming events in Roosevelt Center, a simple recipe for apple pie, and a post looking for volunteers to staff a local event. With the support of GCF, the Co-op became an even more valuable pillar of the Greenbelt community.

There are 10,000 members of the Co-op; each member owns a share of the cooperative and receives a percentage of the annual profits which they can use to purchase food or obtain cash. But you don’t have to be a member to shop at the Co-op and take advantage of the goods and good it brings to the community.

By listening to its members and customers, the Co-op models

positive civic behavior. For example, some members objected to the store’s stock of strawberries from a brand identified with bad labor practices. Sensitive to these concerns, the Co-op replaced the problematic brand with strawberries from a different provider. Long-time employees are part of what makes this customized service possible. Only at the Co-op are there employees who greet customers year after year, listen to their concerns and place specific food orders upon request.

The Co-op delivers more than the basics to Greenbelt residents. It provides opportunities for customers to donate to a food bank and contribute food and blankets to local animal shelters. Healthy eating is promoted through the Co-op website and in the store at regular tasting events. Store tours teach children about nutritional labels and a fruit of the month program helps expand young taste buds. And rush hour at the Co-op is the last Wednesday of every month when members receive a 5 percent discount on purchases.



PHOTO BY GLORIA BROWN

Famous wood duck couple at Buddy Attick Lake Park. Left to right, female wood duck, male wood duck.

## The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club

Meeting, Friday, May 20th, 7:30 p.m. at the  
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Guest speaker:  
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## Upcoming Events At The New Deal

Thursday, May 12, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. Open Mic, hosted by James and Martha from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, May 13, John Guernsey plays classical American standards on piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Stealing Liberty, a Grateful Dead cover band, performs from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 14, Bruce Kritt plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m. John Guernsey plays jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. IlyAIMY performs mixed music genres from rock to folk and soul to bluegrass from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 15, join the Deaf Brunch from 10:30 a.m. until noon. Kids Open Mic from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. In the evening, Fez Tones Hafla play Middle Eastern music and features Belly Dance from 6 to 8 p.m.

Monday, May 16, Reel and Meal at the New Deal from 7 to 9 p.m. A vegan buffet offered from 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17, Poetry Open Mic from 7 to 9 p.m. Read a poem or other writings.

Wednesday, May 18, the monthly Pub Quiz from 7 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, May 19, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. Open Mic hosted by Joe Harris from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, May 20, John Guernsey plays jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Bad Influence Band offer up blues and roots rock music sure to have you moving and grooving from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 21, Table Talk with Maryland Delegate Alonzo Washington from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Bruce Kritt plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m. John Guernsey plays classic American standards on piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Lady Rose Blues Band bring on straight ahead power blues with a dash of funk from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

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### Replacement Fund

Each year the city sets aside funds to cover the eventual replacement of durable equipment as it reaches the end of its life-cycle. For FY17, McLaughlin is proposing to transfer \$200,000 to the replacement fund and use the accumulated funds for replacement of all police handguns (\$32,000), three pickup trucks with plows for public works (\$97,000), and a dump truck with plow for the parks crew (\$80,000).

McLaughlin noted that the overall balance in this account has dropped significantly over the past few years: it is projected to end FY17 with a balance of \$137,293, down from \$500,875 in FY 2013. As a result, the city’s transfers into this fund will need to increase in future years.

There was also a brief discussion among councilmembers of a

request that some had heard from firefighters that they want bullet-proof vests in the wake of the recent fatal shooting of a firefighter doing a welfare check. However, more information was needed so the discussion was tabled.

### Community Development

The city has applied for \$116,300 in federal Community Development Block grants. If it receives those funds they will be used for improvements to Breeze-wood Drive.

### Other Issues

Councilmember Leta Mach and Jordan raised the issue of having a way to set aside funds in the operating budget that are not spent to roll over to the next fiscal year. However, the hour was late and this was left as an issue to be further discussed at another time. Examples could be funding for economic development or the Advisory Committee on Education.

### City Notes

A Community Support Group meeting was held at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center in response to the recent shooting. The group discussed the shooting and past and present issues regarding living conditions in Franklin Park. Ms. Knight, director of residential services, gave a preview and overview of Franklin Park’s mission and ideas in moving forward in improving relations with its residents.

Horticulture and parks crews completed the installation of additional railings at the peninsula at Buddy Attick Lake Park. Metal and plastic from old theater seats were recycled.

Animal Control staff reports a snapping turtle was released to a wildlife rehab, mom and baby ducklings were relocated from a parking lot to a pond, a stray banded pigeon was captured, one stray dog was found and one dog and one kitten were adopted.

Planning staff worked on creating a database of bus ridership by bus stop to be used in making bus stop improvement recommendations for FY 2017.

Therapeutic recreation staff report 40 people traveled to Lancaster, Pa. for an Old Order Amish tour, lunch at an Amish farm and then saw the show Samson at Sight and Sound.



PRELIMINARY AGENDA for REGULAR MEETING

**GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Thursday, May 19, 2016

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM

**Key Agenda Items:**

- Certification of Election by the Chair, N&E Committee
- Board Reorganization and Election of Officers
- Code of Ethics Acknowledgement
- Appointment of Member Complaints Panels
- Designate GDC Stockholders
- Board Meeting Procedures
- Summer and Fall Meeting Schedule
- Contract for Repairs to 2-F Eastway
- Review Historic Preservation Task Force Report

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**Spring Gutter Cleaning Schedule**

Gilbert Construction & DCG Gutter Cleaning are the contractors performing GHI’s spring gutter cleaning and inspections. Work is scheduled to begin on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

The week beginning May 16<sup>th</sup>, work will be in this approximate area (weather permitting):

**Ridge Courts 1-28; Crescent Courts 1-10**  
**Westway Courts 1-2; Southway Courts 1-11**  
**Gardenway Court 2**

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Registration for metropolitan Washington’s 16th annual Bike to Work Day has opened. Last year’s event drew more than 17,500 bicycle commuters, and thousands are expected to participate in Bike to Work Day 2016 on Friday, May 20.

A total of 83 pit stops will celebrate the event across the region, welcoming bicyclists with refreshments, entertainment and the chance to win great prizes, while supplies last. The Greenbelt pit stop will be in front of Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Additional information and free registration for Bike to Work Day are available at biketoworkmetrodc.org. All registrants will be entered into a regional bicycle raffle, and the first 15,000 to register will receive a free T-shirt to be picked up at the pit stop location of their choice.

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A Review

# Wyrd Sisters Presents Glorious Madness, Theatre-in-the-Round

by Jim Link

Something wickedly clever this way comes – the mad, mad, MAD production of Wyrd Sisters, the spring show now at NASA’s Music and Drama Club. Popular British fantasy writer Terry Pratchett’s brilliant pastiche skillfully weaves together Shakespearean themes, allusions and puns to create a hilarious, vaguely Macbethian comedy – there’s an oxymoron for you!

Will the rightful heir to the throne of the murdered king be discovered and crowned? Can

the three wonderful witches Granny, Nanny and Magrat cackle, sleuth and magick their way to a restoration of just power?

Director Jon Gardner stages this delightful screwball mayhem in the round with a big video screen to alert the audience to the many scene changes. The special effects and the cushy tush-friendly chairs help a lot. Jon is the lucky husband of News Review staffer Anne Gardner, who also did the external publicity and program for Wyrd Sisters.

The 24 actors ranging in age from 11 to 91 all deserve praise, but I don’t get paid enough to do that.

Anne Hull and Linda Pattison are droll and winsome as Chief Witch Granny and her able sidekick Nanny, respectively. Margaret Hudson as the beautiful ingenue novice witch Magrat has perhaps the plummiest role in the play, at least sartorially. She is a walking palette of colors, a dazzling potpourri of hues with her rapid and numerous costume changes.

In one scene she is the spitting image of model Elizabeth Siddal’s Ophelia posing for John Everett Millais – the iconic, greenish, be-flowered maiden floating downriver. Obliging, Hudson remains vertical and alive.

Cathy Barth as the gleefully sneering murderous Duchess Felmet – think Cruella de Ville – is over-the-top wonderful. Her demented, guilty consort John McCloskey as Duke Felmet repeatedly confesses to murder, earning a wifely tongue lashing each time. His jowly imitation of Richard Nixon is spot on.

Katrina Jackson jangles, capers and “joculates” nimbly as The Fool who utters wisdom. “Words can change the world.” “He” falls in love with witch Magrat; they share a tender moment: Don’t miss their 15-year kiss!

Marie Nearing speaks not a word as Greebo, the black cat, the snuffling, purring familiar to the three witches. Her feline personification of a cat coughing up a hairball is purrrfectly hilarious. Now that’s acting!

Seeing Tommy Zanner (Peasant) escort his venerable mother Ginny (Peasant) across the stage is very gratifying. Ginny Zanner has been involved in multiple ways with MAD productions since the inception of the club in 1970 and is a veteran of almost 100 plays at various community theater venues. Tommy also gets to mug a clown, also gratifying.

There is much ado about much else, including a plethora of allusions to Shakespeare’s plays. I noticed Macbeth and Hamlet of course, but needed help to recognize King Lear, The Winter’s Tale and The Tempest. Thank you, Eliot Malumuth and Jon Gardner. How many can you detect?

Prithee hie yourselves thither to the Barney and Bea Recreation Center, 10000 Good Luck Road, through May 21. Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m. For more information visit [www.madtheater.org](http://www.madtheater.org).



Greebo (Marie Nearing) creeps up behind Magrat (Margaret Hudson), to play with her hair.



Nanny Ogg (Linda Pattison), the ghost of old King Verence (Jeff Pattison) and Greebo the cat (Marie Nearing) are trapped in the castle dungeon.

Photos by Jon Gardner



The Duchess (Cathy Barth) berates the Duke (John McCloskey).



Katrina Jackson plays the Fool.



Tommy Zanner escorts his 91-year-old mother, Ginny Zanner, across the stage. Ginny Zanner is one of the founding members of MAD.



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